## SENTARA HEALTH PLANS

## PHARMACY PRIOR AUTHORIZATION/STEP-EDIT REQUEST\*

**Directions:** The prescribing physician must sign and clearly print name (preprinted stamps not valid) on this request. All other information may be filled in by office staff; <u>fax to 1-800-750-9692</u>. No additional phone calls will be necessary if all information (including phone and fax #s) on this form is correct. If the information provided is not complete, correct, or legible, the authorization process may be delayed.

## Drug Requested: Palforzia<sup>®</sup> [Peanut (Arachis hypogaea) Allergen Powder-dnfp] (Pharmacy)

## MEMBER & PRESCRIBER INFORMATION: Authorization may be delayed if incomplete.

| Member Name:                       |  |  |  |
|------------------------------------|--|--|--|
|                                    | Date of Birth:                         |  |  |
| Prescriber Name:                   |  |  |  |
|                                    | Date:                                  |  |  |
| Office Contact Name:               |  |  |  |
| Phone Number:                      | Fax Number:                            |  |  |
| DEA OR NPI #:                      |  |  |  |
| DRUG INFORMATION: Author           | rization may be delayed if incomplete. |  |  |
| Drug Form/Strength:                |  |  |  |
| osing Schedule: Length of Therapy: |  |  |  |
| Diagnosis:                         | ICD Code, if applicable:               |  |  |
|                                    |  |  |  |

| <b>Medication</b>                      | Quantity Limit     |
|--|--------------------|
| Palforzia Initial Dose Escalation Kit  | 1 kit per 365 days |
| Palforzia Up-Dosing Kits (Levels 1-11) | 1 kit per 365 days |
| Palforzia 300 mg sachets               | 1 sachet per day   |

**CLINICAL CRITERIA:** Check below all that apply. All criteria must be met for approval. To support each line checked, all documentation, including lab results, diagnostics, and/or chart notes, must be provided or request may be denied.

## **Initial Authorization: 12 months**

- □ Member must have diagnosis of peanut allergy
- □ Member must be at least 4-17 years of age at initiation of therapy
- □ Prescribed by or in consultation with an Allergist or Immunologist

- □ Provider has submitted documentation to confirm diagnosis of peanut allergy via <u>ONE</u> of the following:
  - □ Member has a diagnosis and clinical history of peanut allergy as documented by **<u>BOTH</u>** of the following (must submit labs and skin prick test results for documentation):
    - □ A serum peanut-specific IgE level of  $\geq$  0.35 kUA/L
    - □ A mean wheal diameter that is at least 3 mm larger than the negative control on skin prick test for peanut
  - □ In the absence of positive clinician supervised food challenge, peanut allergy is confirmed by the **<u>BOTH</u>** of the following:
    - □ Positive skin prick test to peanut  $\ge 8$  mm compared to control, unless skin testing is contraindicated
    - □ Serum IgE to peanut  $\ge$  14 kUA/L
- □ Palforzia will be used in conjunction with a peanut-avoidance diet
- Member must be prescribed injectable epinephrine (verified by chart notes or pharmacy paid claims)
- □ Member and/or caregiver has been instructed and trained on the appropriate use of injectable epinephrine
- □ Health care provider, health care setting, and member <u>MUST</u> be enrolled in the Palforzia REMS program
- □ Request for Palforzia may <u>NOT</u> be approved if member has <u>ANY</u> of the following:
  - Severe or poorly controlled asthma
  - History of eosinophilic esophagitis or other eosinophilic gastrointestinal disease
  - History of severe or life-threatening episodes of anaphylaxis or anaphylactic shock within the past 2 months
  - History of mast cell disorder (including mastocytosis), urticarial pigmentosa, hereditary or idiopathic angioedema or currently has paid claims for Berinert, Cinryze, Haegarda, Firazyr, Takhyzyro or Ruconest
  - Individual is in buildup phase of immunotherapy to another allergen (i.e. has not reached maintenance dosing)

**<u>Reauthorization</u>**: Check below all that apply. All criteria must be met for approval. To support each line checked, all documentation, including lab results, diagnostics, and/or chart notes, must be provided or request may be denied.

<u>Provider please note</u>: a one-time reauthorization is required after initial 12 month approval

- □ Member must continue to tolerate the prescribed daily dose of Palforzia<sup>®</sup>
- □ Member is compliant with Palforzia<sup>®</sup> therapy (verified by pharmacy paid claims)
- □ Member has <u>NOT</u> experienced recurrent asthma exacerbations

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□ Member has <u>NOT</u> experienced any treatment-restricting adverse effects (e.g., repeated systemic allergic reaction and/or severe anaphylaxis)

## **Dosing Tables**

# Table 1: Dosing Configuration for Initial Dose Escalation (Single Day Dose Escalation); supplied as a single card consisting of 5 blisters containing a total of 13 capsules

| Dose Level | Total Dose | Dose Configuration                   |
|------------|------------|--------------------------------------|
| Α          | 0.5 mg     | One 0.5 mg capsule                   |
| В          | 1 mg       | One 1 mg capsule                     |
| С          | 1.5 mg     | One 0.5 mg capsule; One 1 mg capsule |
| D          | 3 mg       | Three 1 mg capsules                  |
| Е          | 6 mg       | Six 1 mg capsules                    |

### Table 2: Daily Dosing Configuration for Up-Dosing

| Dose Level | Total Daily Dose | Daily Dose Configuration                 | Dose Duration (weeks) |
|------------|------------------|--|-----------------------|
| 1          | 3 mg             | Three 1 mg capsules                      | 2                     |
| 2          | 6 mg             | Six 1 mg capsules                        | 2                     |
| 3          | 12mg             | Two 1 mg capsules; One 10 mg capsule     | 2                     |
| 4          | 20 mg            | One 20 mg capsule                        | 2                     |
| 5          | 40 mg            | Two 20 mg capsules                       | 2                     |
| 6          | 80 mg            | Four 20 mg capsules                      | 2                     |
| 7          | 120 mg           | One 20 mg capsule; One 100 mg capsule    | 2                     |
| 8          | 160 mg           | Three 20 mg capsules; One 100 mg capsule | 2                     |
| 9          | 200 mg           | Two 100 mg capsules                      | 2                     |
| 10         | 240 mg           | Two 20 mg capsules; Two 100 mg           | 2                     |
|            |                  | capsules                                 |                       |
| 11         | 300 mg           | One 300 mg sachet                        | 2                     |

#### **Table 3: Daily Dosing Configuration for Maintenance**

| Dose Level | Total Daily Dose | Daily Dose Configuration |
|------------|------------------|--------------------------|
| 11         | 300 mg           | One 300 mg sachet        |

## Medication being provided by a Specialty Pharmacy - PropriumRx

### Not all drugs may be covered under every Plan

If a drug is non-formulary on a Plan, documentation of medical necessity will be required. \*\*Use of samples to initiate therapy does not meet step edit/ preauthorization criteria.\*\*

\*Previous therapies will be verified through pharmacy paid claims or submitted chart notes.\*